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SUBJ: DETENTION OF AP CORRESPONDENT GOLDSMITH

1. WE HAD HOPED TO HAVE BRITISH CONSULAR OFFICER PRINCE IN BANGUI MORNING OF JULY 22 SO THAT HE COULD MAKE IMMEDIATE APPEAL FOR GOLDSMITH'S RELEASE. IN ABSENCE OF PRINCE, WE HAVE BEEN ATTEMPTING TO CONTACT THE FOREIGN MINISTER GBEZERA-BRIA AND/OR IMPERIAL COURT MINISTER FRANCK TO SAY THAT WE HAVE CONTACTED THE BRITISH, THAT HMG WILL BE SENDING A REPRESENTATIVE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, AND THAT WHILE WE CANNOT REPRESENT GOLDSMITH WE HAVE AN INTEREST BECAUSE HE IS EMPLOYED BY AN AMERICAN COMPANY WHICH IS ANXIOUS ABOUT HIS WELFARE. SO FAR WE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO GET THIS MESSAGE ACROSS. FOREIGN MINISTER HAS LEFT FOR BERENGO BUT SAYS HE WILL SEE CHARGE WHEN HE RETURNS.

2. WE HAVE NO IDEA HOW LONG IT WILL TAKE TO ARRANGE GOLDSMITH'S RELEASE ONCE A BRITISH REPRESENTATIVE ARRIVES. SHOULD ALSO CLARIFY THAT RANDALL WAS AT NO TIME IN DETENTION WITH GOLDSMITH, SO WE HAVE NO INFORMATION ON GOLDSMITH'S CONDITION.

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3. HAVE JUST LEARNED OF ARRIVAL IN BANGUI OF TWO BRITISH JOURNALISTS FROM DAILY MAIL, JOHN EDWARDS AND MONTY FRESCO, WHO HAVE LETTERS OF INVITATION FROM MINISTER FRANCK. HOPE THEY ALSO WILL BE ABLE TO DO SOMETHING ON GOLDSMITH'S BEHALF.
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